



# Vacancy Announcement

(VACANCY PSC-02-2022)

The United States Peace Corps Togo is seeking an individual for the position of  
**Peace Corps Back-Up Medical Provider**

**OPEN TO:** All interested eligible and qualified candidates  
**POSITION:** Peace Corps Back-Up Medical Provider  
**NUMBER OF POSITIONS:** More than one candidate may be hired from this announcement  
**OPENING DATE:** June 1, 2022  
**CLOSING DATE:** June 15, 2022  
**STATUS:** Intermittent – estimated at not-to-exceed 50 days per year

## BACKGROUND

### Summary

The back-up provider shall be a physician, who will provide clinical care for Peace Corps Volunteers and Trainees in the absence of a Peace Corps Medical Officer (PCMO) or assist the PCMO during busy times.

### Country Program Information

In 1961, United States President John F. Kennedy established the Peace Corps, an independent US Government Agency, to promote world peace and friendship through the service of American Volunteers abroad. The Peace Corps has 3 goals:

- To help the people of interested countries in meeting their need for trained men and women;
- To help promote a better understanding of Americans on the part of the peoples served;
- To help promote a better understanding of other peoples on the part of Americans.

In Togo, the first Peace Corps Volunteers arrived at the invitation of the Togolese government in 1962. With the exception of the 2020 – 2022 COVID-19 pandemic period, the program has been continually active since then, and to date has hosted over 3000 Volunteers. Prior to evacuation for COVID-19, the program brought in approx. 50 trainees each year, giving a total in-country presence that on occasion exceeded 100.

With the return to service, Volunteer will eventually expand to serve across four of the five districts of Togo in three different sectors:

- Promoting Agricultural Education for Sustainability (PAGES), where Volunteers assist smallholder farm households to achieve food and nutrition security, sustainable livelihoods, and increased resilience;
- Targeting English Education for Change (TEECH), where Volunteers work with girls and boys in public schools to strengthen their communication skills in English and have more equitable access to academic and/or professional opportunities.
- Community Health Education and System Strengthening (CHESS), where Volunteers assist rural communities to obtain improved health outcomes through education and strengthened Ministry of Health systems.

## Reference Materials

Peace Corps Medical Technical Guidelines  
Relevant sections of the Peace Corps Manual

## MAJOR DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The back-up provider shall provide direct patient care, referrals to outside medical consultants or facilities, i.e. hospital or emergency department, depending on the specific in-country arrangements, and assist with administrative duties and health education when indicated.. When required, the back-up provider shall be available around-the-clock by telephone or be present in the Peace Corps Togo Health Unit. A physician back-up provider may also be required to provide consultative or prescriptive services to registered nurse (RN) PCMOs.

Written documentation that describes the consultation with a Trainee or Volunteer, care and treatment prescribed/provided, and diagnoses must be clearly documented in the health record.

Other duties as requested by the Country Director.

## QUALIFICATIONS & REQUIREMENTS

### Education:

- Graduate of an accredited school. MDs must be a graduate of a school listed in this link: Foundation for Advancement of International Medical Education and Research: <https://search.wdoms.org/>
- Current license to practice in Togo.

### Experience:

- Relevant clinical experience in primary care; experience in managing mental health issues including counseling of patients; experience in training design and presentation of health related material; program management and administrative experience.
- Minimum one year practical experience working within a cross-cultural setting.
- A minimum of two years of unsupervised, independent clinical experience.

### Language:

- Ability to communicate effectively (oral and written) in both English and French (Level III - professional working proficiency) is required.

**Computer Use:** working knowledge of standard Microsoft Office programs (Word, Excel, Outlook, etc.)

### Other Requirements:

- Must be located in Lomé
- Must send a detailed reference letter from a current clinical colleague
- Must send proof of registry to the physician board and current license.

## HOW TO APPLY

Complete applications must be sent by **June 15, 2022** to: [TG-JOBS@peacecorps.gov](mailto:TG-JOBS@peacecorps.gov)

A complete application includes:

- Cover letter
- curriculum vitae in English with three professional references
- valid police record
- copies of most recent diplomas and work certificates

The curriculum vitae must specify all training, work experience, licenses, diplomas, and certifications. All periods of unemployment greater than three months should be accounted for.